

**MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE**

**APRIL 15, 2008**

Over the past year, the Board has given significant consideration to the environmental, ecological and economic concerns related to the pervasive use and improper disposal of plastic bags in Los Angeles County, ultimately resulting in the creation of a Single-Use Bag Reduction and Recycling Program as well as direction to our Legislative advocates to pursue a per bag fee on plastic bags.

Reusable bags, usually made of cloth or other fiber-based fabric, are the most cost-effective and environmentally friendly alternative to single-use bags. Reusable Bags have a life span of 2-3 years and a carrying capacity equivalent to 2-4 plastic bags. Earth Share has coordinated a nationwide network of the countries most respected environmental and conservation organizations, to launch a "National Reusable Bag Day" on April 21<sup>st</sup>, one day before "Earth Day". The purpose of this day is to bring to the attention of the American People the need to reduce plastic bag consumption in favor of reusable bags.

**I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Proclaim the day of **April 21, 2008** as "**National Reusable Bag Day**" and encourage County employees to participate and support activities related to this cause.

**#####**

S:/smohamedy/2008/Kaely Katona/Motions2008/"National Reusable Bag Day 2008" 04/15/08

**MOTION**

MOLINA	_____
YAROSLAVSKY	_____
KNABE	_____
ANTONOVICH	_____
BURKE	_____